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Bill Number		Citation	Summary
HB	1196		<b>Modifying parking and business improvement areas</b> - Allows the legislative authority of a county, city, or town to modify the geographic boundaries of an existing parking and business improvement area. Limits the ability to modify the geographic boundaries of the parking and business improvement area to once a year. (Affects Spokane)
SHB	1395		<b>Encouraging Retention and Enhancement of the Job Base in Rural Counties.</b> - Permits rural counties planning under the GMA the expansion of small-scale businesses and/or utilization of an existing business site to locate a new small-scale business if the businesses conform with the rural character of the area as defined by the local government.
EHB	2288		<b>Environmental mitigation</b> - Allows DOT to convey environmental mitigation sites to governmental agencies, tribal governments or private, nonprofit environmental groups, for permanent maintenance.
E SHB	2305		<b>Clarifying the Application of Shoreline Master Program Guidelines and Master Programs to Agricultural Activities on Agricultural Lands.</b> - Specifies that the shoreline master program guidelines may not address new agricultural development meeting the definition of "agricultural land," "conversion of agricultural lands to other uses," and "agricultural activities". and provides definitions. The act is not effective until the earlier of either January 1,2004 or the date the Department of Ecology amends or updates WAC 176-16 or 173-26 and that it shall not effect any other authority of local governments.
SHB	2357		<b>Addressing community renewal</b> - Revises the state's urban renewal law to improve the ability of a county, city, or town (municipality) to implement economic development projects in blighted areas. (1) allowing a municipality to provide financial or technical assistance to a person or public body that is used to create jobs, a substantial portion of which is for persons of low income; (2) allowing a municipality to select a public private developer either before or after the municipality has acquired the real property; (3) creating a direct negotiation process that a municipality may use to select a public or private project developer; (4) allowing a municipality to establish a local improvement district for the purpose of financing public improvements within the blighted area; and (5) allowing a municipality the ability to enter into an agreement with a public corporation, commission, and authority, or a housing authority, or a city or county public facilities district, or a port district to carry out community renewal activities on its behalf in a blighted area.
HB	2358		<b>Revising provisions relating to annexation of unincorporated territory with boundaries contiguous to two municipal corporations</b> - Authorizes a municipal corporation providing sewer service to annex a parcel of unincorporated territory that is less than 100 acres in size and has at least 80 percent of its boundaries contiguous to two municipal corporations, one of which is a water-sewer district (SEATAC).
HB	2425		<b>Funding the community economic revitalization board</b> - Provides funding for the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) by: (1) allowing CERB to retain the interest earnings on the CERB account beginning fiscal year 2005; (2) allowing the repayment of principal and interest on loans made to rural natural resource areas under the public works trust fund program for a five-year period-amount not to exceed \$4.5 million per year; and (3) requiring that at least 10 percent of the CERB monies are awarded as grants to political subdivisions.

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SHB	2466		<b>Setting time limits for review of water and sewer general comprehensive plans</b> - Requires a written reason if the state agency reviewing the water or sewer plan rejects or requires the additional 90 days for review. Declares that state agencies that review water or sewer comprehensive plans must either approve, conditionally approve, reject or request amendments within 90 days of submittal, with an additional 90 days if insufficient time exists to adequately review the plan. Provides that the governing body of the local government submitting the plan for review may mutually agree with the agency for an extension of the deadline.
E HB	2498	RCW 36.70A.367	<b>Establishing a pilot program authorizing designation of industrial land banks outside urban growth areas under certain circumstances.</b> - Extends the industrial land bank pilot program through December 31, 2007 for all counties meeting specified criteria (Clark, Whatcom, Lewis, Grant, and Clallam, Benton, Columbia, Franklin, Garfield, Mason, Jefferson, and Walla Walla). Requires counties to review need for an industrial land bank during the review and evaluation of comprehensive plans as required by the GMA.
ESHB	2506		<b>Creating a Joint Task Force on Green Building.</b> - Creates a task force on green building to study cities' and counties' green building programs and low-impact development codes. Includes one representative of the Office of Community Development on the 10-member task force.
HB	2526		<b>Providing Exemptions from SEPA for Reductions of City Limits and Disincorporations.</b> - Exempts reductions of city limits and disincorporations from compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act.
SHB	2557		<b>Revising provisions relating to metropolitan park districts</b> - Allows metropolitan park districts to be formed by cities, counties, combinations of cities or counties, and combinations of cities and counties. Provides additional methods for electing metropolitan park district commissioners. Limits boundary review board authority to review metropolitan park district creations or annexations under certain circumstances.
SHB	2592		<b>Modifying community revitalization financing</b> - Makes revisions to the community revitalization financing program by: (1) clarifying that a fire protection district must agree to participate in order for local government to proceed with the financing of public improvements using the incremental increase in local property taxes generated within a tax increment area; (2) authorizing a local government to issue non-recourse revenue bonds to finance revenue generating public improvements that are located within a tax increment area; and (3) repealing the community revitalization financing program's July 1, 2010, expiration date.
E HB	2623		<b>Adjusting the Monetary Threshold for "Substantial Development" under the Shoreline Management Act.</b> - Amends the current threshold amount for what constitutes "substantial development" under the Shoreline Management Act From \$2500 to \$5000.
SHB	2648		<p><b>Requiring Additional Information from Certain Capital Budget Applicants</b> - Requires the Office of Financial Management in its Capital Budget instructions, to have Capital Budget applicants provide additional information related to growth management for proposed capital projects over \$5 million and required to have a predesign. Requires OCD to assist OVM and Capital Budget applicants in collecting the additional information.</p> <p><b>Partial Veto:</b> Vetoes the sections that: (1) require certain additional information on the cost of a project; and (2) require the legislature to request a fiscal note whenever a purchase or exchange of property is proposed by most state agencies.</p>

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E2SHB	2671		<p><b>Creating the Permit Assistance Center in the Office of the Governor</b> - Creates the Office of Permit Assistance in the Office of Financial Management and transfers the existing Permit Assistance Center's duties and power to this office. Authorizes cost reimbursement for facilitated project scoping and for coordinated permit processes and allows the office to either require cost reimbursement or pay for coordination within the Office's resources for certain projects. Requires the Office to review the activities of the Transportation Permit Efficiency and Accountability Committee to determine if initiatives may be beneficially implemented for other types of projects. Specifies that permit agencies make decisions on permits and that permit decisions are not made by the Office or any independent consultants involved in coordinated permit processes. Terminates the Office in 2007.</p> <p><b>Partial Veto:</b> vetoes the emergency clause and the provisions creating the Permit Assistance Advisory Council.</p>
2SHB	2697	RCW 36.70A.020 RCW 36.70A.070	<p><b>Incorporating effective economic development planning into growth management planning.</b> - Adds economic development and parks to the list of required elements of a growth management comprehensive plan. The housing section requires that the plan identify the number of housing units necessary to manage projected growth. Declares the new required elements null and void without state funding.</p>
SHB	2758		<p><b>Establishing the Agricultural Conservation Easements Program</b> - Establishes the agricultural conservation easements program (Program) in the state Conservation Commission (Commission). Requires the Commission to manage the Program, adopt rules to implement legislative intent, report to the Legislature on the potential funding sources for purchase of agricultural conservation easements, and recommend changes to existing funding authorized by the Legislature. Creates the agricultural conservation easements account in the state treasury for deposit of program funds and specifies the types and uses of funds in the account.</p>
HB	2846	RCW 36.70A.215	<p><b>Requiring specific funding to implement the buildable lands review and evaluation program.</b> - Requires funding of at least \$2.5 million per biennium for the Buildable Lands program requirements to apply.</p> <p><b>Gov vetoed</b></p>
ESHB	2866		<p><b>Limiting overlapping jurisdiction regarding the permitting of storm water projects</b> - Prohibits hydraulic projects from being unreasonable conditioned. Limits the Department of Fish and Wildlife's ability to issue or condition hydraulic permits for storm water projects under certain circumstances. Allows marine terminals in existence on June 6, 1996, or marine terminals that have received a hydraulic project approval for its initial construction to obtain upon request a renewable five-year hydraulic project approval for regular maintenance activities of the marine terminal.</p> <p><b>Partial Veto:</b> Vetoes the section that increased the membership of the Hydraulics Appeals Board by adding three members representing local governments.</p>
ESSB	5748	RCW 35.63.060	<p><b>Integrating transportation and land use planning.</b> - Directs the Transportation Commission and the Transportation Improvement Board to take land use goals into account when funding projects. Requires city plans to also take those into account.</p>
SB	5832	RCW 36.70a RCW 58.17.020	<p><b>Enabling counties planning under Chapter 36.70a to create nine lots in a short subdivision within a designated urban growth area.</b> - Allows Growth Management Act (GMA) counties that have adopted a comprehensive plan and development regulations in compliance with the GMA to increase to nine the number of lots in short subdivisions within urban growth areas.</p>

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2SSB	5965		<b>Authorizing local option real estate excise taxes for affordable housing purposes</b> - Authorizes counties to ask voters to approve an additional 0.5 percent real estate excise tax for the development of affordable housing. Limits the new tax authority to counties imposing the additional 1 percent real estate excise tax for conservation areas before Jan. 1, 2003. ((San Juan only)
ESSB	6140		<b>Regional Investment Districts</b> - Authorizes major metropolitan areas to form regional transportation investment districts for the purposes of planning, funding and building major regional transportation projects. Provide local authority to establish by popular vote various taxes to finance regional transportation projects.
ESSB	6464	84.52	<b>City Transportation Authority</b> - Monorail Transportation Authorizes Cities over 300,000 to create a transportation authority for the purposes of planning, building and operating monorail transportation systems.
SB	6578		<b>Personal wireless facility leases</b> - Creates an additional exception to the state subdivision law for property leased for placement of personal wireless facilities.
SB	6594		<b>Equitable distribution of secure community transition facilities.</b> - Allows, under certain circumstances, the siting of secure community transition facilities (SCTF) in certain counties irrespective of land use and other laws.

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SSB	5841	RCW 36.70A.130	<b>Establishing a Schedule for Review of Comprehensive Plans and Development Regulations Adopted under the Growth Management Act.</b> - Extends the September 1, 2002 deadline and schedule for review of comprehensive plans and development plans for GMA jurisdictions, and for non-GMA jurisdictions critical area and natural resource lands review. Only counties and cities in compliance with the schedules shall have the authority to receive grants and loans from the Public Works Trust Fund and Centennial Clean Water Fund; and to receive preference for grants or loans financing public facilities.									
<b>Comprehensive Plan Deadlines</b>			Sep. 1, 2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Buildable Lands counties complete evaluation			X									
All counties and cities must complete a siting process for secure transition facilities for sex offenders. Six counties (King, Snohomish, Clark, Thurston, Kitsap, Spokane) will be pre-empted if the siting process is not completed.			X									
Updates Due December 1: King, Clark, Jefferson, Clallam, Kitsap, Pierce, Snohomish, Thurston, and Whatcom counties				X								
UGA Evaluations Due: Clark: 12/20/04, King: 11/08/04, Pierce: 11/29/04				X								
Updates Due December 1: Island, Lewis, Mason, San Juan, Skagit, Skamania, and Cowlitz counties					X							
UGA Evaluations Due: Douglas: 1/28/05, Ferry: 09/08/05, Franklin: 6/20/05, Garfield: 6/16/05, Snohomish: 06/28/05					X							
Updates Due December 1: Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Kittitas, Spokane, and Yakima counties						X						
UGA Evaluations Due: Clallam: 12/27/06, Kittitas: 07/26/06						X						
Updates Due December 1: Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grays Harbor, Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pacific, Pend Oreille, Stevens, Wahkiakum, Walla Walla, and Whitman Counties							X					
UGA Evaluations Due: Skagit: 12/18/07, Stevens: no adopted plan, Whatcom: 05/20/07, Yakima: 05/20/07							X					
December 31, 2007 - OCD Buildable Lands counties report due to Legislature							X					
Buildable Lands Counties 2nd report												
UGA Evaluations Due: Benton: 06/22/08, Island: 09/28/08, Jefferson: 08/28/08, Kitsap: 05/07/08, Pacific: 10/13/08, San Juan: 06/15/08								X				
UGA Evaluations Due: Grant: 09/30/09, Lewis: 06/01/09									X			
UGA Update Due: Chelan: 02/01/10										X		
Census										X		
Census Results											X	
2nd Updates Due: King, Clark, Jefferson, Clallam, Kitsap, Pierce, Thurston, Whatcom, and Snohomish counties											X	
UGA Updates Due: Walla Walla and Spokane counties											X	
OFM projections released												X